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SUBJECT: OPENING OF JAPANESE EMBASSY IN CONAKRY

1. ACCORDING TO NICHIMEN REPRESENTATIVE, JAPAN INTENDS TO OPEN AN EMBASSY IN CONAKRY IN JANUARY 1976. THIS IS VERY WELCOME NEWS, IF ACCURATE, SINCE IT IS IN OUR INTERESTS TO IMPROVE THE BALANCE OF REPRESENTATION IN A COUNTRY OVERWHELMINGLY DOMINATED BY THE PRESENCE OF SOVIET, EASTERN EUROPEAN, PRC, CUBAN, NORTH KOREAN AND NORTH VIETNAMESE OFFICIALS AND TECHNICIANS.

2. ACTIVITY BY JAPANESE FIRMS IS ON THE INCREASE, INCLUDING ENGINEERING WORK FOR TRANSGUINEAN RAILWAY AND PORT MODERNIZATION, AND A MAJOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONTRACT, SO OPENING OF A MISSION SEEMS LOGICAL. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR INQUIRING WITH GOJ ABOUT THEIR PLANS. THIS EMBASSY WILL BE PLEASED TO PROVIDE ANY ADVICE OR ASSISTANCE THE JAPANESE MAY DESIRE. GUINEA HAS RECENTLY NORMALIZED RELATIONS WITH FRG AND FRANCE. GOJ MAY BE INTERESTED TO KNOW THAT BOTH PLAN TO REOPEN THEIR EMBASSIES HERE DURING NEXT FEW MONTHS.
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